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The items listed above are identified on the accompanying Form PTO 1449. A copy of each of the items identified above is also submitted with this statement.

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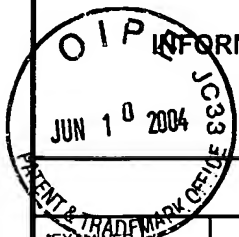
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